building along with the land could be acquired only in April 1989. The building needed extensive modifications and civil works to suit the requirements of the Coast Guard. The delay was further aggravated due to non-availability of acid tiles and the need for modification of trusses. As a result, the civil works could be completed only by March 1993. The building was taken over by Coast Guard in July, 1993.

(c) Since Coast Guard has no repair yard of its own, repair and maintenance of Coast Guard Vessels is done at public sector and commercial shipyards on a competitive basis.

Establishment of Hindustan Russia Aeroplane Manufacturing and Maintenance Private Ltd.

3141. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Hindustan Russia Aeroplane Manufacturing and Maintenance Private Limited is going to be established in the near future; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) An agreement on formation of a joint venture company, to be named "INDO-RUSSIAN AVIATION PVT. LTD.", by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) and Industrial Credit and Investment Corporation of India (ICICI) alongwith certain Russian organisations was signed in Mosco on 30 June, 1994. The scope of activities of the joint venture company covers warehousing of aviation stores and servicing, repair, modification, etc. of aeronautical equipment.

Excessive Involvement of ET&T in Litigation

3142. SHRI E. BALANANDAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Electronics Trade and Technology Development Corporation has a number of litigation against employees and private companies;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the corporation spends huge amount towards legal expenses;

(c) the details of cases pending against employees and other firms and expenses incurred toward the same during the last five years;

(d) the reasons of such a high number of litigations and also the steps taken by the management and Government to minimise the litigation; and

(e) whether it is also a fact that the ET&T Corporation does not have any legal department and for every small matter, legal opinion sought by paying huge amount to one legal consultant, who has also influenced the ET&T management and got appointed his relatives in ET&T, if so, the details of amount paid to the legal consultant since last ten years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENTS OF ELECTRONICS AND OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Yes, Sir. Electronics Trade & Development Corporation Limited have filed cases to recover the dues from the defaulting parties after consultation with Legal Advisor. ET&T has not filed any suit/ case against any employee of Corporation.

(b) No, Sir. Normal legal expenses are incurred by the Corporation.

(d) The details of cases against defaulting parties filed by the Corporation are given in the Annexed Statement (*See* below). The legal expenses incurred by the ET&T during the last five years are given below:

Year	Amount (Rs.)
1992-93	3,70,014/-
1991-92	1,21,185/-
1990-91	1,20,597/-
1989-90	62,377/-
1988-89	80,442/-